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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

This office action is responsive to amendment filed June 4, 2004. Claims 1, 11, 21-23 have been amended and claims 10 and 19 have been cancelled.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1-4, 6-9, 11-18,20-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being clearly anticipated by Haitsuka et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,366,298.

Regarding claims 1-3, Haitsuka teaches determining point of contact constraints of user; retrieving a profile and current action of user and delivering content (opportunity) to user in response to the point of contact, profiled and current action; wherein the point of contact comprises of cell phone, kiosk, PDA, etc; (see fig. 3-5 and col. 3 line 55 to col. 4 line 43, col. 5 line 23 to col. 7 line 30). Haitsuka teaches user on-line activities monitored and stored and the stored information used for targeting advertisement (see col. 3 lines 1-8). Purchased data is part of the on-line activity. Opportunity as such asking user to select, download or other action is part of advertisements.

Regarding claim 4, Haitsuka teaches location indication (see col. 5 lines 23-43).

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Regarding claims 6-9, 11-18 and 20, Haitsuka teaches profile including; demographic data, purchase data; navigation history or transaction history; clickstream data; etc. (see col.5 line 44 to col. 7 line 20).

Claims 21-23 are rejected as stated above in claim 1.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Haitsuka et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,366,298 as applied to claim 1 above, Official Notice.

Regarding claim 5, Haitsuka teaches location indication (see col. 5 line 59 to col. 6 line 18). Haitsuka failed to explicitly disclose the use GPS. Official notice is taken that is old and well known to use GPS to determine the location of mobile device. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to use GPS, in order to determine the true geographical location of the user.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed June 4, 2004 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

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Applicant specification discloses a broad definition of "an opportunity" as taking action such as asking the user to make an immediate purchase, select a particular item, request a download or other action. Advertisements are well known to include such requests.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Yehdega Retta whose telephone number is (703) 305-0436. The examiner can normally be reached on 8-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Eric Stamber can be reached on (703) 305-8469. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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